(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI N.V.N. SOMU) : (a) to (e). Government sanction has been issued on 17.9.93 for lease of 3.19 acres of Defence land in Barrackpore Cantonment to Rashtraguru Surendranath College authorities, who are already in possession of the land, on payment of annual rent of Rs.1,32,017/- and a premium of Rs. 13,20,170/-. The College authorities, instead of making payment of the rent and premium, have made a number of representations for reducing the amount of rent and premium to a nominal amount. The rent and premium have been fixed on concessional terms as per the existing policy for lease of land to educational institutions.

Assistance to IIDS at Kuppam

3437. SHRI SULTAN SALAHUDDIN OWAISI : Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Government of Andhra Pradesh has submitted a project for budgatary support for Indian Institute of Dravidian Studies at Kuppam during 1995-96;

(b) if so, whether the Union Government have cleared the project; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MUHI RAM SAIKIA): (a) to (c). A request was received from Government of Andhra Pradesh for budgetary support for Indian Institute of Dravidian Studies at Kuppam during 1995-96. However, no decision could be taken on the request of Govt. of Andhra Pradesh as the concurrence of the four southern States to the setting up a participative venture jointly funded by them and the Government of India, has not been received.

Water Sports Complex in Kerala

3438. SHRI V.M. SUDHEERAN : Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Government have received any proposal from Director of Sports and Youth Affairs, Government of Kerala to construct a full fledged water sports complex at Punnamuke in Alleppey;

(b) whether Government of Kerala handed-over land for the proposed complex;

(c) if so, the steps taken in this regard;

(d) whether the Finance Committee of Sports Authority of India has approved the proposal for the construction of Hostel for the accommodation of the trainees in modern water sports like Canoeing, Kaya King and Rowing; and

(e) if so, will the Government take immediate step to accord fund sanction for this proposal?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI DHANUSHKODI ATHITHAN R.) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) to (e). Sports Authority of India has a Water Sports Training Centre at Alleppey which is run as a Special Area Games (SAG) Sports Complex. The 27th meeting of the Finance Commission of SAI approved the construction of a hostel at a maximum cost of Rs. 70.00 lakhs. However, the construction work could not be taken up due to the present financial crunch in the Sports Authority of India.

Performance in International Sports

3439. SHRI VIJAY GOEL : Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Department of Education and U.G.C. planning to earmark atleast 10% of the total educational grants to physical education;

(b) if not, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether instructions have been sent to NCERT and National Book Trust of India to provide text books for physical education and sports as per prescribed syllabi in the subject of physical education, health education and sports; and

(d) if not, the manner in which the policy decision of making physical education and sports as an integral part of general education without providing text books in these subjects to school children can be implemented?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MUHI RAM SAIKIA): (a) to (d). The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

[Translation]

Demolition of Houses and Shops in Civilian Area

3440. SHRI BHAGWAN SHANKAR RAWAT : Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Government are aware that on the order of Army officers of the Defence Department many houses and shops were illegally demolished in the civilion area of Cantonment Council in Agra without the consent of the officers of that place;

(b) if so, the action taken by the Government in this regard;

(c) whether any assessment of the loss has been worked out;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the number of the persons displaced as a result thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI N.V.N. SOMU) : (a) No, Sir. However, a few houses and shops which were encroachments on Defence land under the management of the Army were removed by the order of Station Commander, Agra on 10th August, 1996 after giving notice for vacation.

(b) No intervention by the Government was required as the action of the Station Commander was within the law.

(c) to (e). As these were encroachments on the Defence land under the management of the Army, all shops and houses (mud houses with thatched roofs) were removed. The total number of persons displaced due to the demolition is approximately 140.

Human Resource Anganwadi Kendras

3441. SHRI LALIT ORAON : Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) the number of Anganwadi Kendras in Chhota Nagpur area of Bihar and the amount proposed to be spent on these centres during the year 1996-97;

(b) whether the Union Government have received any complaint in regard to the working of these centres and the misutilisation of the allocated funds;

(c) if so, whether the Union Government have conducted any enquiry in this regard; and

(d) if so, the outcome thereof and the action taken by the Government thereon?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI S.R. BOMMAI) : (a) There are 20963 sanctioned Anganwadi Kendras in Chhota Nagpur area of Bihar. An amount of Rs. 20.02 crores is proposed to be released during 1996-97 for running of these Anganwadi Kendras.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) and (d). Does not arise.

Research and Technique Centres

3442. SHRI VIRENDRA KUMAR SINGH : Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether Universities and its colleges are considered centres for research and techniques of Higher Education;

(b) whether qualification criterion is fixed by University Grants Commission for posting competent employees there;

(c) if so, whether the enquiry in regard to the posting made in Universities and colleges are conducted from time to time regularly; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MUHI RAM SAIKIA): (a) to (d). The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

[English]

Recruitment of Teachers by KVS

3443. SHRI UDDHAB BARMAN : Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) the norms laid down by the Kendriya Vidyalayas Sangathan for the recruitment of teachers in Kendriya Vidyalayas;

(b) whether these norms were not strictly following during the recruitment in 1994 and 1995 particularly in Gauhati region; and

(c) if so, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MUHI RAM SAIKIA): (a) to (c). Recruitment of teachers in Kendriya Vidyalayas is made in accordance with recruitment rules approved by the Board of Governors of Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan from time to time.

These are followed in all the regions.

UGC Office in Calcutta

3444. PROF. JITENDRA NATH DAS : Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Regional Office of UGC at Calcutta has since become operational; and

(b) if so, the infrastructure of the office and its area of operation?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MUHI RAM SAIKIA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The building for housing the Regional Office has been provided by the Government of West Bengal. One Joint Secretary, who is Head of the Office, one Accounts Officer and one LDC have since been posted. This Office will cover the States of Bihar, Orissa, Sikkim and West Bengal.